The review mission teams comprise Government officials, members of the Mission Steering Group (MSG) of NRHM, Advisory Group on Community Action (AGCA), ASHA Mentoring Group (AMG), civil society representatives, Public Health experts, Donor partners and State representatives. Further, independent external evaluations are also conducted by Government and Non-Governmental agencies on thematic and geographical basis to document progress of the NRHM. Community level validation of key programme components is also carried out under NRHM through the process of triangulation against the regular MIS, survey reports and user responses.

The multi dimensional monitoring framework of NRHM provides information whether the work is being carried out to achieve the goals of NRHM and the money allocated is being spent appropriately.

CGHS scheme in Bihar

2115. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the implementation of the Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) in Bihar during the last three years; and

(b) the details of new CGHS dispensaries which are going to be opened in Bihar, location-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) CGHS is functioning only in Patna in Bihar.

(b) There is no proposal to open more dispensaries in Bihar.

Ban on spitting in public places

2116. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that most of the foreign countries have banned spitting in public places;

(b) whether Government is considering to bring legislation on putting a ban on spitting in public places in the country on the lines of smoking; and

(c) if so, by when it is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMDOSS): (a) Several foreign countries like Singapore, United Arab Emirates (UAE), Malayasia, Hong Kong etc. have prohibited spitting in public places.

(b) There is no proposal under consideration of the Union Government to bring legislation on putting a ban on spitting in public places. However, few State Governments - West Bengal, Goa and Tamil Nadu through existing laws, have prohibited spitting in place of public work or use and also in public service vehicle. The Maharashtra Police Act, 1951 has prohibited spiting in any court, police station building occupied by the Government or building occupied by any public body.

(c) Does not arise.